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AND THE LAST IS SHORTEST

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## LIST OF ABBREVIATIONS AND SYMBOLS

$\alpha$	The Greek Letter Alpha
$\beta$	The Greek Letter Beta
LOL	Laughing Out Loud
ROTFLOL	Rolling On The Floor Laughing Out Loud
TMI	Too Much Information

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## CHAPTER 1 - INTRODUCTION

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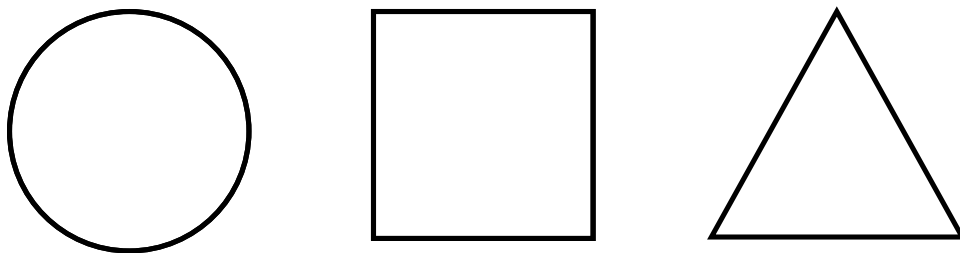


Figure 1.1: Caption for the interesting shapes.

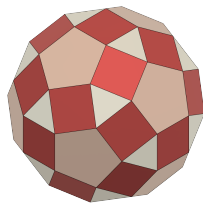


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Name	Units of Love
Circle	27
Square	42
Triangle	12

Table 3.1: Shapes and corresponding love in Love Standard Units (LSU). This table has a long caption that is important for highlighting the formatting.

Name	Units of Love
Pizza	30
The University of Alabama	60
Ice cream	45

Table 3.2: Other objects and corresponding love in Love Standard Units (LSU).

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